

**YOSHIDA et al.**  
**U.S. National Phase of PCT/JP2005/012920**

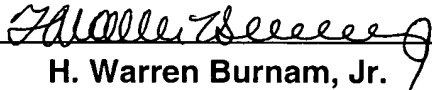
**REMARKS**

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependent claims, without prejudice. The specification has been amended to include a cross-reference to the parent application.

Respectfully submitted,

**NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.**

By:

  
\_\_\_\_\_

**H. Warren Burnam, Jr.**

Reg. No. **29,366**

**HWB:alb**

901 North Glebe Road, 11th Floor  
Arlington, VA 22203-1808  
Telephone: (703) 816-4000  
Facsimile: (703) 816-4100